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SUBJECT: OECD SUPPORT FOR ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREE-
MENT: FOREIGN MINISTER SIMONET REPLY TO SECRETARY VANCE

REF: STATE 127544

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY FORWARDED ON JUNE 30 LETTER FROM
FOREIGN MINISTER SIMONET TO SECRETARY VANCE ON SUBJECT OF
ILLICIT PAYMENTS. TEXT FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. SECRETARY OF STATE, FURTHER TO
YOUR LETTER, OF MAY 22ND, 1978 I HAVE THE HONOUR TO INFORM
YOU THAT THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT INDEED ATTACHES A GREAT
IMPORTANCE TO THE QUESTION OF THE ELIMINATION OF
CORRUPTIVE PAYMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE RELATIONS.

IT THEREFORE BACKS ALL EFFORTS THAT ARE LIKELY TO REDUCE
THE DIVERGENT VIEWS THAT MIGHT STILL EXIST BETWEEN THE
MEMBER STATES OF OECD CONCERNING THE DRAFT CONVENTION
WHICH IS PRESENTLY NEGOCIATED IN THE ECOSOC FRAMEWORK
AND WHICH AIMS TO PREVENT AND TO ERADICATE ILLICIT PAY-
MENTS MADE IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS.

I HOPE THAT, ON THE BASIS OF THE ENDEAVOURS OF OUR EXPERTS,
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THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP OF ECOSOC WILL SUCCEED IN CON-
CILIATING THE VIEWS OF THE OECD MEMBERS AND THE DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES AND THAT IN THIS WAY WE MAY OPEN THE PROSPECT OF
AN INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE FOR THE CONCLUSION
OF A CONVENTION. THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT, FROM ITS PART,
WILL MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT IN VIEW OF THE REALISATION OF
THIS WORTHY OBJECTIVE. SINCERELY, HENRI SIMONET. END TEXT.

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